

**ABSTRACT:**

The present invention relates to an improved method and device for temporarily affixing a protective attachment assembly 20 to a headgear 30 having a headband inner surface 36. The stiffener 10 has an arched shape between the two ends 16 and 16A with a left tab 12 and a right tab 12A both having first projections 19 and second projections 19A that provide frictional holding when inserted between the headband inner surface 36 and the perimeter surface 35 of the headgear 30. A center tab 13B consists of an upper relief radius 13 that will accommodate a ponytail 40 and a protruding lower radius 13A that provides stabilizing support when placed over the adjustment strap 33 of the headgear 30.

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